

# **Agency Summary**

# **Business Directions & Needs**

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# About The Department Summaries

# Purpose of Summaries

The following summaries represent a sampling of the interview information used to compile this report. The summaries are meant to demonstrate a few of the business directions and considerations uncovered our initial interviews. The summaries are in no way meant to be comprehensive descriptions of the agency's goals and directions.

# Format of Summaries

#### **General Information**

The information is taken from the 96-97 Legislative report.

#### Mission

The Mission Statement of the agency as provided to us.

### Key Businesses

A sample of representative businesses the agency engages in to achieve its mission.

#### **Business Directions**

Select business directions identified in that agency.

#### Considerations

Issues, projects and programs that my affect the MT PRIME project.

# Commissioner of Political Practices

## General Information

**FTEs**: 7

Budget: \$0.34 Million

Staff Budget: \$0.22 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To oversee and enforce the campaign practices law and lobbyist regulations

# Key Businesses

Information Collection
Collects and monitors campaign finance information

#### Disclosure

Discloses campaign finance and elected officials' business and ownership interests information

### Investigation

Investigates violations of the campaign practices law

Registration Registers lobbyists

## **Business Directions**

### Information Access

Initiative to increase the accessibility of campaign finance information to citizens, media and public interest groups

## Considerations

### Systems Access

Need for network access to administrative systems to eliminate duplication of effort in administrative tasks

# Montana Arts Council

## General Information

**FTEs**: 7

Budget: \$0.6 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$0.2Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To promote and encourage participation in public and private arts and cultural activities

# Key Businesses

### Program Management

Manages and funds grants to arts, cultural and educational groups and institutions in a variety of disciplines

### Promotion

Communicates and shares information about arts and cultural events, arts and cultural institutions and artists in the State of Montana

## **Business Directions**

Integration of Administrative Functions Consolidation of all administrative functions within the Department to one individual (due to staff reductions)

#### Federal Funds

Uncertainty over continued federal arts and cultural funding

### Considerations

### Systems Integration

Need for administrative systems integration to eliminate duplication of effort in administrative tasks

### **Data Manipulation**

Need for increased access and ability to download and manipulate financial data for grant reporting and budget analysis

# State Library

# General Information

**FTEs**: 29

Budget: \$1.8 Million

Staff Budget: \$0.71 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To operate the State Library and serve as an information clearinghouse to libraries and citizens around the State and across the nation

# Key Businesses

Library Operation Operates the State Library

### Program Management

Provides recordings of books and films to hearingimpaired citizens of Montana

#### Information Services

Acts as GIS information clearinghouse for the State and provides GIS services to State agencies and private entities

### **Business Directions**

### **Library Automation**

Implementing a system to automate the circulation, cataloguing, acquisitions and serial management functions

#### Information Access

On-going efforts to increase accessibility of library and GIS information through the use of the Internet and other applications

# Considerations

### Systems Integration

Need for administrative systems integration to eliminate duplication of effort in administrative tasks

### **Data Manipulation**

Need for increased access and ability to download and manipulate financial data for grant reporting and budget analysis

### Performance-Based Budgeting

Current system reporting models present difficulties in tracking budgetary information for performance-based budgets

# Historical Society

### General Information

**FTEs**: 49

Budget: \$2.8 Million

Staff Budget: \$1.5 Million

Structure: Centralized

### Mission

# Key Businesses

Museum Operation

Operates State Historical Museum including museum shop

Historical Archives Management

Manages the State's historical archives and library

**Publishing** 

Publishes periodicals dealing with Montana history

Preservation

Preserves historical sites and collections

### **Business Directions**

Information Access

On-going effort to increase accessibility of library and GIS information through the use of the Internet and other applications

Use of Technology

Initiative to increase the use of technology to manage collections and other historical information

## Considerations

Systems Integration

Need for administrative systems integration to eliminate duplication

**Data Manipulation** 

Need for increased access and ability to download and manipulate financial data for grant reporting and budget analysis

Cash Forecasting

Need for cash forecasting tools as part of core financial management systems

SummitNet

Need link to SummitNet for educational applications

# Department of Administration

# General Information

**FTEs**: 93

Budget: \$11.5 Million

Staff Budget: \$3.1 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To provide support and control functions centrally to all the branches of Montana government in an efficient and effective manner

# Key Businesses

### **Financial Operations**

Manages the State's financial operations including general ledger management, treasury services, warrant processing and issuance and financial reporting

Payroll and Personnel Management Manages and processes personnel and payroll

### Purchasing

Provides purchasing support for State agencies

### Risk Management

Manages State insurance and related liabilities

Information Services Support

Provides information and communications technology support to State agencies

Facilities Management

Manages the remodeling and construction of State

buildings

### **Business Directions**

#### Information Access

On-going effort to increase accessibility of administrative and financial information to State agencies

# Considerations

### Systems Improvement

Need to improve dramatically the core administrative systems of the State

#### Information Value

Desire to improve the financial information available to the Legislature and State agencies

# Department of Public Health and Human Services

# General Information

**FTEs**: 2,716

Budget: \$1,429 Million Staff Budget:\$86.8 Million Structure: Decentralized

### Mission

To improve, preserve, strengthen and protect the health, well-being and self-reliance of all Montanans.

# Key Businesses

Program Management Manages the AFDC, WIC, Low Income Energy Assistance, Medicaid, Food Stamps, child protective and care, disabled and aging programs

# Enforcement

Provides child support enforcement services

State Facilities Operation Operates State mental health and chemical dependency facilities

## **Business Directions**

#### Decentralization

Increased level of decentralized service delivery and administrative responsibilities

### Federal Programs

Anticipate major changes in federal program rules and funding over the next few years

### **Eligibility Determination**

Initiative to provide eligibility determination services for many programs through virtual kiosks in county offices and other technological applications

# Considerations

### Systems Integration

Need for administrative systems integration to eliminate duplication of effort in administrative tasks

### Data Manipulation

Need for increased access and ability to download and manipulate financial data for grant reporting and budget analysis Systems Functionality
Need for increased systems functionality to allow
detailed time reporting, cost accounting, grant
reporting and forecasting

Systems Flexibility
Need for increased flexibility in the process utilized to
capture information and report in response to the
dynamic nature of many programs

# Department of Labor and Industry

# General Information

**FTEs**: 598

Budget: \$79 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$18.9 Million **Structure:** Decentralized

# Mission

To promote the well-being and opportunities of Montana's workers and employers and to uphold the rights of both

# Key Businesses

### Program Management

Manages the employment services, unemployment insurance, veterans services, migrant workers, JTPA and other job training and assistance programs

### Regulation

Regulates the Montana workers compensation system

#### Enforcement

Enforces federal and state labor standards laws, state wage and hour laws, and state and federal anti-discrimination laws

### Dispute Resolution

Resolves disputes arising from work-related injuries through operation of the Workers' Compensation Court

### **Business Directions**

Purchasing System
Currently developing new purchasing system

### Federal Programs

Anticipate changes in federal program rules and funding over the next few years

# Considerations

### Systems Integration

Need for administrative systems integration to eliminate duplication of effort in administrative tasks

### Data Manipulation

Need for increased access and ability to download and manipulate financial data for grant reporting and budget analysis

### Systems Functionality

Need for increased systems functionality to allow detailed time reporting, cost accounting, grant reporting and forecasting

# Governors Office

### General Information

**FTEs**: 52

Budget: \$10.2 Million

Staff Budget: \$2.2 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To oversee and direct the activities of the executive branch of Montana state government, consistent with statutory and constitutional mandates, in a manner that provides necessary and affordable services to the citizens of Montana

# Key Businesses

Budget Management Coordinates the preparation, submission and control of the Executive budget

Public Information
Provides information to the citizens of Montana

### **Business Directions**

Budgeting System
Currently developing new Executive Budget System

Benchmarking and Performance Initiatives Increased emphasis on measuring the performance of various programs and organizations

### Considerations

Information Value

Desire to improve the financial information available to the Legislative and Executive branches

Reporting
Need for more flexible and ad hoc reporting
capabilities

# Department of Transportation (MDT)

# General Information

FTEs: 1,885

Budget: \$704 Million Staff Budget: \$126 Million

Structure: Widely distributed across five Districts

# Mission

To establish a transportation system that emphasizes safety, environmental preservation, cost-effectiveness and quality.

- provide useful and timely information to the public
- proactively seek public involvement
- facilitate open discussion of controversial issues and respond to public comment and suggestions
- efficiently manage transportation infrastructure and large federal funding sources

# Key Businesses

Highway Construction and Management Manages highways, rail, transit, bike, pedestrian, aviation and connections

#### Enforcement

Enforces vehicular statutes and regulations including weight, size, licensing, fuel, safety and motor fuel tax law

### Tax Collection

Collects gasoline and diesel license taxes

Protection
Provides protection and safety in aviation

## **Business Directions**

- Continuous streamlining of business processes and innovative use of information technology to support operational and administrative processes.
- Moving towards performance-based budgeting and management
- Vendor partnerships provide opportunities for automated procurement processes
- Anticipation of significantly reduced federal funding in near future is driving revenue and cost management improvements
- MDT is leading several cooperative initiatives with other agencies to investigate replacement of outdated state-wide systems (i.e. PAMS, Position Control,
- Several new systems initiatives are planned or underway which will facilitate improved operational and administrative processes

# Considerations

### Integration

Tighter integration of operational systems with statewide systems is essential. MDT has recently developed successful new systems with relational technologies.

# Department of Natural Resources & Conservation

# General Information

**FTEs**: 478

Budget: \$24.0 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$15.5 Million

Structure: Decentralized

### Mission

- To ensure the wise management, development, conservation and use of some of Montana's natural resources in a manner consistent with environmental quality
- To sustain and improve the benefits derived from Montana's water, soil and range land
- To encourage energy conservation and the use of renewable energy sources
- To promote conservation of oil and gas and prevent resource waste through regulation of exploration and production
- To make certain that energy facilities and water projects are developed with minimal adverse environmental impacts

# Key Businesses

- State trust lands management
- Forests and forestry protection and regulation
- Water resources management
- Conservation project management

# **Business Directions**

### Service integration

DNRC is the result of a recent reorganization resulting of an amalgamation of processes from Natural Resources and State Lands among others. Services and systems remain to be fully integrated.

# Considerations

### Systems Integration

Need for integration of disparate systems and billing services

### Systems Use

Uses the State's core administrative systems directly with only a few intermediary applications such as the Department Receivables System and the Claims Payment System

# Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

# General Information

**FTEs**: 547

Budget: \$40.0 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$17.8 Million **Structure:** Highly decentralized

# Mission

Through our employees and citizen commission, to provide for the stewardship of the fish, wildlife, parks and recreational resources of Montana while contributing to the quality of life for present and future generations

# Key Businesses

Natural Resources Management Manages animals and habitat through protecting lands, conservation efforts, protecting at-risk populations

Recreation Management Manages people in the context of natural resources, law enforcement, education, and licensing

# **Business Directions**

Point-of-Sale Services

Mass licenses such as hunting licenses are presently issued through a paper-based system - potential to move to a point-of-sale licensing process

Sophisticated Costing Systems

Moving away from tracking costs as expenditure categories towards tracking the costs of activities - moving towards cost reporting that's flexible and usable

## Considerations

Integrated Operational and Financial Information

Systems such as the Drawing System and General License Accounting System contain both operational information (licenses by species) and financial information (revenue by species). These systems cross over the boundary of what is in and out of scope of MT PRIME.

Consignment Sales Process Licenses sold on a consignment basis - may be a practice unique to this agency

# Department of Environmental Quality

# General Information

**FTEs**: 366

Budget: \$30.1 Million

Staff Budget: \$13.0 Million

Structure: Limited decentralized staff

# Mission

To protect, promote and enhance public health and environmental quality for the benefit of all Montana citizens

# Key Businesses

### Regulation

Regulates activities relevant to the safety of the environment through permitting, licensing, Environmental Impact Statements and recommendations

#### Enforcement

Enforces regulation through inspection, legal sanctions, finance penalties and long-term monitoring

#### Remediation

Manages environmental clean-ups, manage Superfund sites and the reclamation of contaminated sites (e.g. Clark Fork River Basin)

# **Business Directions**

### Integration of Businesses

Department used to be organized by media type: air, water and land (mines). DEQ was subsequently reorganized along processes: Permitting & Compliance, Planning, Prevention & Assistance, Enforcement and Remediation

#### **Block Grants**

Federal Government is moving towards block grants which should provide more flexibility in reporting (e.g., adjusting the reporting fiscal year to match the state fiscal year)

# Considerations

### Budgeting

Budgeting in its present state is very difficult on the program managers. Budgeting information is not timely enough and the system has no projection capabilities.

In-house Accounting System (A REV) Has developed an in-house accounting system to manage revenue tracking, purchasing and general accounting. This system is interfaced to SBAS

# Department of Agriculture

# General Information

**FTEs**: 108

**Budget:** \$8.6Million

**Staff Budget:** \$3.3Million **Structure:** Decentralized

# Mission

- To protect, enhance and develop all agriculture in Montana
- To encourage and promote production and marketing for agriculture and allied industries
- To provide protection for producers and consumers through administration and enforcement of statutes established by Montana's legislature

# Key Businesses

**Economic Development** 

Supports rural development, including marketing and market development, research and development, promotion, and education

Regulation

Includes inspection, investigation and enforcement

**Finance** 

Provides hail insurance, loans and grants

### **Business Directions**

Alternate Service Delivery Agency continues to improve processes such as the grants process

Improved Service Integration Moving towards one-stop shopping for government services through cooperative initiatives with other State agencies

### Considerations

Diverse Revenue Sources
Important financial connections to other departments
and levels of government (e.g., receives funds from
Motor Vehicles for Noxious Weeds Fees, from the
Department of Revenue for Coal Severance Tax and
hail insurance premiums from the County Treasurer)

In-house Accounting System (AAS) Has developed an in-house accounting system which supplements SBAS

# Department of Livestock

# General Information

**FTEs**: 127

Budget: \$6.0 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$4.0 Million **Structure:** Highly decentralized

# Mission

To control and eradicate animal diseases, prevent the transmission of animal diseases to humans and protect the livestock industry from theft and predatory animals

# Key Businesses

**Health Protection** 

Protects the health of animals and humans through disease control and investigations

Regulation, Inspection and Enforcement Inspects meat, poultry, milk, eggs, animals and brands

Laboratory Diagnostics
Conducts tests and research to support animal health

### **Business Directions**

**Revenue Collection** 

In the event of reduced federal funding, optimization of revenue streams through systems such as the Per Capita System and the Shipper/Owner/Buyer System

Information for Board of Livestock Board needs timely and accurate information to make effective fee decisions

Alternate Service Delivery

Revenue needs to be collected through means that are sensitive to the perceptions of clients. Clients need to be reasonably assessed without feeling that they are being overcharged

## Considerations

Oracle Conversion of Operational Systems Consistent set operational systems implemented in Clipper, which are being converted to State standard technologies

In-house Accounting System
Has implemented their own basic accounting system
(BAS) to handle revenue management

# State Compensation Insurance Fund

# General Information

**FTEs**: 233

Budget: \$18.4 Million (Operating)

\$113.5 Million (including benefit

payouts)

**Staff Budget:** \$8.0 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

T provide all employers with an available market for workers' compensation and occupational disease coverage

# Key Businesses

### Underwriting

Underwrites the insurance for workers compensation and occupational disease

### Claims Processing

Includes reporting, adjusting, investigation, risk management using supplemental software, and issuing warrants.

# **Business Directions**

Continuous Improvement of Processes Moving away from manual, spreadsheet-assisted processes for purchasing, budgeting, personnel management, payroll reconciliation and fixed asset management

# Considerations

#### Private Sector Model

Although the State Fund is, by definition, connected to the State Government, its structure and goals are more reflective of a private sector insurance corporation - different requirements for accounting

### **Systems Initiatives**

The new claims system (BIS) is pending completion and a new underwriting system (PAL) is slated for completion by August 1997.

#### Year 2000

Although the State Fund's new operational systems will be Year 2000 compliant, there may be a significant problem with core administrative systems since homemade, PC-based spreadsheets are so prevalent

# Public Employees Retirement Fund

# General Information

**FTEs**: 20

Budget: \$1.2 Million

Staff Budget: \$0.6 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To efficiently and equitably administer eight state and local retirement systems in a manner which allows each system to operate on a financially sound basis and provide the broadest retirement coverage to public employee members and their beneficiaries in the event of death, disability or retirement of the members as prescribed by the legislature

# Key Businesses

#### **Revenue Collection**

Collects revenue from various sources by diverse means, billing, refunds, and buy-backs

### **Payment Processing**

Issues warrants, withholds medical insurance and maintains accurate long-term history

### Portfolio Management

Assigns funds to the Board of Investment for appropriate management

## **Business Directions**

Continuous Improvement of Processes Moving towards improved office automation, considering ways of improving manual processes such as accounts receivable, purchasing, financial reporting and budgeting

### **Structural Changes**

Proposing legislation that would tie budget for administration to the total benefit payout

# Considerations

### Need For Long Term History

Ensuring eligibility of payees means maintaining an accurate, long term history of contributors and evidence of withdrawal from the system

### Pension Accounting

SBAS was not designed for pension accounting. If PERS were to make use of a state-wide financial system, the system would need to be flexible enough to manage alternate accounting methods.

### Large Sums of Money

Pension portfolios imply sums over \$1 billion. SBAS has had difficulty with large sums in the Retirement Bond Pool

# Teachers Retirement System

# General Information

**FTEs**: 11

Budget: \$0.7 Million

Staff Budget: \$0.3 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To maintain a financially sound system that will provide the broadest and fairest possible range of disability, death and retirement benefits to teachers and other eligible members of the State of Montana as prescribed by state statutes

# Key Businesses

Revenue Collection

Collects revenue from school district systems and SBAS enabled agencies

**Payment Processing** 

Processes payments to retirees and other beneficiaries

Portfolio Management Assigns funds to the Board of Investment for appropriate management

### **Business Directions**

Continuous Improvement of Processes Examples include direct debiting of bank accounts, better ways to track issued warrants, and better means of extracting TIICREF members

# Considerations

### Securing Contributors

Responsible for managing revenue through ensuring that the loss of contributors, such as the migration of University educators to TIICREF, is offset by compensating contributions from their employer agencies

### Operational Improvements

Simple operational improvements could be addressed in the renewal of state-wide systems (e.g., a unique comment line on each warrant would be a tremendous improvement)

### History

History is very difficult in the current Warrant Writer system. Often the next-of-kin of a ex-educator will claim eligibility for benefits. Evidence of withdrawal may be required for up to 20 years ago

# Department of Military Affairs

# General Information

**FTEs**: 95

Budget: \$7.3 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$3.0 Million **Structure:** Decentralized

# Mission

To oversee all activities of the Army and Air National Guard, Disaster Coordination Response Division and Veterans' Affairs Division

# Key Businesses

**Facilities Maintenance** 

Maintains and supports Army and Air National Guard facilities

Disaster and Emergency Services

Plans and coordinates State responses in disaster and emergency situations

Compliance

Ensures compliance to environmental standards and regulations surrounding military activities

**Veteran Services** 

Manages and coordinates State-wide services for discharged veterans and their families

### **Business Directions**

**Closer Relationships** 

Establishing closer working relationships and

integration with other agencies

**Broadening Scope** 

Broadening the scope of services to enhance service delivery to the protection of property

**Continued Federal Support** 

Sees continued support from Federal programs and is seeking to establish new capabilities in the area of contracting and construction

### Considerations

### Federal Dependence

Resource requirements and operational challenges are heavily dependent on initiatives and staffing decisions originating from the Federal government

Disaster Effort Exposure

Recovers costs of emergency efforts after the event - exposed to risk when compensation is not timely

Large Temporary Staff

Variable staffing and administrative service demands throughout the year

# Office of Public Instruction

# General Information

**FTEs**: 113

**Budget:** \$466.5 Million **Staff Budget:** \$3.3 Million

Structure: Centralized

## Mission

To advocate, communicate, educate and be accountable to those we serve

# Key Businesses

Assistance and Information

Provides assistance and information to school districts

### Information Collection

Collects and monitors school district budgets and other information

#### Curriculum Assessment

Assess and approve educational curriculae for both K-12 and vocational educational areas

### **Teacher Development**

Oversee and manage the professional development, certification and accreditation of educators

### Program Management

Oversees Federal K-12 educational programs within the State

### **Business Directions**

### **Greater Integration**

Examining ways to better integrate similar areas within grant management, and to develop greater cooperation and coordination of these funds

#### **Automation**

Initiative to develop more automated processes in extracting and managing information between school districts and OPI

### Greater Accountability

Decreased Federal regulations and reporting requirements in certain areas, with self-compliance, accountability and responsibility increasing

#### **Increased Communications**

Efforts are continuing in the areas of communications and information exchange to OPI clients

Internal Contracting and Resource Sharing In discussion with the DOA to assume management of the State's bulletin board system (BBS), sharing costs and computing resources Technology Development

Jointly developing a new operational system, using

ORACLE

# Considerations

### Service Delivery Constraints

Customers often using obsolete computer technology - affects all new service delivery considerations

### Differing Technical Environments

Uses a non-standard technology set (OS/2 and Macintosh), which is significantly different from other agencies

#### Year 2000

While several of their systems are Year 2000 compliant, a large number of existing software are not, and support for these systems is entirely in-house

# State Auditor's Office

# General Information

**FTEs**: 62

Budget: \$2.6 Million

Staff Budget: \$2.1 Million

Structure: Centralized

### Mission

#### Securities

- To protect investors, persons engaged in securities transactions, and the public interest;
- To promote uniformity among the states; and
- To encourage, promote and facilitate capital investment in Montana

#### Insurance

- To protect Montana consumers; and
- To ensure and oversee compliance and fair conduct of insurance activities

# Key Businesses

### Registration

Registers and licenses agents, agencies and organizations in the areas of securities and insurance

#### Examination

Examines and reviews the conduct and operations of agents, agencies and organizations in the areas of securities and insurance

### Compliance

Addresses complaints and ensures compliance of insurance and securities agents throughout the State

### **Business Directions**

Renewal of Operational Systems Contracting to renew their existing case tracking system. The new system will use ORACLE and Designer 2000

#### **Electronic Commerce**

Beginning to examine the industry's use of the Internet to support marketing and sales activities

# Commissioner of Higher Education

# General Information

**FTEs**: 73

Budget: \$34.8 Million

**Staff Budget:** 

Structure: Centralized

### Mission

- To support the constitutionally mandated position of Commissioner of Higher Education
- To encourage, promote and facilitate student post-secondary activities within the State
- To protect and serve the needs of the university systems as well as other public educational institutions assigned by law

# Key Businesses

#### Assistance

Provides funding and assistance to students entering or within the post-secondary public education system

### **Grant Disbursement**

Administers and accounts for the distribution of grants and monies to support higher education

#### Coordination

Coordinates, manages and supervises public higher educational institutions within the State

### **Business Directions**

Renewal of Technologies

Developing plans to renew existing network and mail connectivity within the office, to the State and to the universities

Partnerships and Alternative Service Delivery Contracts with a related not-for-profit organization specializing in student load recovery, for Information Technology support and services

# Public Service Regulation

# General Information

**FTEs**: 40

Budget: \$2.0 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$1.5 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To ensure to the consumer the provision of safe, reliable and adequate services at the lowest cost, while providing the regulated industries with a fair and reasonable return on their investment

# Key Businesses

### Regulation

Establishes and enforces the policies and guidelines that regulate public utilities and railroads

#### Arbitration

Mediates disputes relating to the regulation of public utilities and railroads

### Registration

Authorizes the activities and responsibilities of agents and organizations in the area of public utilities and railroads

### **Business Directions**

### Increasing Arbitration

Deregulation in the area of utilities will see more effort in arbitration and mediation, rather than rate-setting

### Telecommunications Regulation

There has been a significant increase in telecommunications activities and PSR sees increasing demands coming from this industry sector

#### **Electronic Documents**

Use of document management and imaging technologies to minimize paper handling and filing

# Montana State University

# General Information

**FTEs**: 1,953

**Budget:** \$90.2 Million

**Staff Budget:** 

Structure: Decentralized

# Key Businesses

#### Research

Plans, manages and executes research, and provides an environment conducive to research and academic exploration

### **Education Delivery**

Plans, manages and delivers educational services to post-secondary customers

### **Business Directions**

### Improve Administrative Systems

Commencing the process of reviewing administrative systems

### **New Service Delivery**

Examining distance learning as a new service delivery mechanism

### Consolidation

Administrative consolidation and rationalization between the University and several colleges in the State

### Considerations

### **Unique Information Requirements**

Has considerably different reporting and information management challenges from other State agencies

### Legacy Systems

Support for existing software application systems within the university may be discontinued by the original software vendor

#### Small Resource Base

Limited resources to manage the complex information system problems and issues arising from their legacy systems

# University of Montana

# General Information

**FTEs**: 1,553

Budget: \$78.7 Million

**Staff Budget:** 

Structure: Decentralized

# Key Businesses

### Research

Plans, manages and executes research, and provides an environment conducive to research and academic exploration

### **Education Delivery**

Plans, manages and delivers educational services to post-secondary customers

# **Business Directions**

Improved Service Infrastructure Implementing a reengineered approach to student enrollment and service provision Renewing Information Infrastructure Presently implementing a major new integrated packaged system for educational institutions

#### Consolidation

Administrative consolidation and rationalization between the University and several colleges in the State

New Accountability Structures Examining a new performance-based management structure called JCAR

# Considerations

Unique Information Requirements Has considerably different reporting and information management challenges from other State agencies

# Department of Justice

# General Information

**FTEs**: 662

Budget: \$35.4 Million

Staff Budget: \$22.5 Million

Structure: Decentralized

## Mission

Under the direction of the Attorney General, to provide the state level leadership and coordination necessary for effective law enforcement and public safety.

# Key Businesses

### Licensing and Registration

Performs motor vehicle registration and operator licensing and generates \$14 million in revenue annually. Licenses gambling operations and generates \$13 million in revenue

#### Enforcement

Provides a wide variety of law enforcement and investigative services

### **Grant Management**

Administers 140+ grants to state and local criminal justice organizations, through the Crime Control Division

### **Business Directions**

- An 'explosion in the number of users' and their geographical distribution is occurring as criminal justice data systems are installed in peace officer vehicles
- Regulation and investigation are becoming increasingly automated
- The Department is moving toward the integration of criminal justice data systems under a project with Corrections and the Judiciary

# Considerations

### Security

All Justice systems contain highly confidential information which must be protected

#### Crime Control Division

The Crime Control Division is attached to the Department for administrative purposes and has many separate systems and processes

# Department of Commerce

# General Information

**FTEs**: 171

Budget: \$43.7 million

**Staff Budget**: \$5.9 million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To enhance the quality of life in the state by working with our economic and community development partners to foster diversification of the economic base through business creation, expansion, and retention; necessary improvement of public infrastructure; and providing a reasonable, customer oriented, regulatory environment

# Key Businesses

### **Economic Development**

Provides a variety of economic development services including technical and financial assistance

### Regulation

Regulates a variety of business and consumer related activities including banks, weights and measures, building codes, and professional and occupational licensing

### **Business Directions**

- One-stop business licensing to simplify the effort required to start a business
- Utilizing the technology to provide and receive services

# Considerations

### **Disparate Duties**

The Department performs many different functions which do not always have the same needs.

### 1099 Processing.

In order to adequately track payments eligible for 1099 reporting, the Department has constructed its own payment system which interfaces with SBAS and Warrant Writer

# Department of Corrections

# General Information

**FTEs:** 881

Budget: \$54.8 Million

Staff Budget: \$30.0 Million

Structure: Centralized

# Mission

To enhance public safety and trust by holding adult and juvenile offenders accountable for their actions through custody, supervision, treatment, work, and skill development

# Key Businesses

Incarceration

Provides inmate holding facilities for the incarceration of criminals remanded from the court system

Juvenile Development Provides services to help juveniles escape a life of crime

# **Business Directions**

Providing for increasing inmate population

Identifying alternative correctional options

# Considerations

Systems

The Department has a number of specialized systems utilized for tracking of inventory and inmate accounts

Security

Security of the Departments' data is critical

# Legislative Branch

## General Information

**FTEs**: 128

Budget: \$8.0 Million

Staff Budget: \$5.3 Million

Structure: Centralized

### Mission

Provides legislative support services, research and publishing services, financial analysis and audit services, and consumer counsel services

# Key Businesses

Legislative Support Provides staff and infrastructure support to the Montana Legislature and the Legislative Branch

#### Audit

Provides Legislative and Executive managers with accurate information through financial, program, and EDP audit services

### Financial Analysis

Provides the Legislature with the information and fiscal analyses needed to ensure accountability and a balanced budget

## **Business Directions**

- Utilizing technology to meet the growing demand for information
- Implementing process improvements to provide better service in the Legislative process

# Considerations

### **Budget System**

A project is currently underway to replace old budget system with an ORACLE-based budget system

# **Judicial Branch**

# General Information

**FTEs**: 97

Budget: \$7.4 Million

**Staff Budget:** \$5.2 Million **Structure:** Decentralized

# Mission

Provides supervisory and operational services to the Judiciary

# Key Businesses

Adjudication Supervises and assists Montana courts in providing judicial services

## **Business Directions**

Increasing the integration of judicial data systems throughout the court system

### Considerations

Dispersed locations

Many of the courts are not located on the State's backbone

# Department of Revenue

# General Information

**FTEs**: 641

Budget: \$47.4 Million

Staff Budget: \$

Structure: Decentralized

### Mission

To insure full and fair compliance with all state tax laws; to assist taxpayers in fulfilling their obligations to the State; to maximize the raising and uses of taxpayer funds by maintaining an efficient and timely mechanism for the collection and deposit of revenues; and to implement all Department responsibilities with professionalism, integrity and efficiency

# Key Businesses

#### Tax Collection

Collects personal income, natural resource, corporate, liquor and other taxes on behalf of the State

### **Property Assessment**

Appraises, assesses and equalizes the value of all property in the State for the purpose of taxation

### Enforcement/Regulation

Enforces the State's tax law related to approximately 31 taxes and fees and regulates the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages

### **Business Directions**

Central Revenue Processing Initiative to develop a central revenue processing center for taxes, fees, and other revenues

Revenue Tracking Systems Initiative to integrate property assessment systems

### Information Sharing

Increased need to share information with other State agencies

#### **GIS**

Initiative to create GIS database of parcel information

# Considerations

Human Resource Systems Functionality Current system does not provide functionality needed for data manipulation and reporting flexibility

# Agency3

# **General Information**

FTEs: Budget:

Staff Budget:

Structure:

# Mission

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# Key Businesses

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# **Business Directions**

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# Considerations

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